TOPICS OF THE DAY.

News from Everywhere.

THE Postmaster-General has decided that the special delivery service shall not be operative on Sanday.

Is her coming tour Mary Anderson will have a company of seventy-five people, and will carry all her own scenery.

GERONIMO, the famous Indian chief, is said to have died from the wounds he re-

ceived in the fight in Guadaloupe Canon. DYNAMITERS blew up the residences of a police magistrate and constable at Orangeville, Ontario, on the night of the

THE American Woman Suffrage Assoclation will begin its seventeenth annual convention a Minn apolis, Minn., October

-LORD SALISBURY made a notable speech at Newport, Eng., on the 7th, outlining the the Conservative party of

Statistics are being gathered by the Signal Service Bureau with a view to predicting tornadoes and giving warning of

A St. Peressung dispatch says the English have taken po session of Herat and ordered the inhabitants to quit the town immediately.

FIGHTING is reported near Kassala between dervinhes and the Abyssinia expe dition sent to the relief of the garrison The dervishes were defeated.

Tur Massachusatts Damocrats nominated Frederick O. Prince, of Boston, for Governor and H. H. Gilmore, of Cam bridge, for Lieu enant-Governor.

MTHE recent centus shows Boston, Mass., to have a population of 191,406, a gain of 27,870 since 188). There is a prepender

ance of 16,204 females over the males. THE people of Crete have sent an address to the powers askin; the maintenance of the Berlin treaty; otherwise that Greece be permitted to annex Crete.

CARDINAL McCLOSKY is dangerously ill, and his physician thinks his death is only a question of a few days. Extreme unction was administered to him on the

QUEEN VICTORIA is understood to warmly espouse the cause of Prince Alexander of Bulgaria. He is the brother of Prince Henry of Battenberg, husband of Princess

The number of pension certificates is sued by the Pension Office last month was 5,546, an increase of thirty-three and a third per cent, over the issue during Sep- has been set for trial October 19th. tember list year.

PLACARDS have been posted in Fhilippopolis by order of the Mayor, announcing that the Sultan has accepted the union

of Prince Alexander. THE Utah Commission meet in Washington on the 10th inst, to prepare and submit to the Secretary of the Interior their report upon the operation of the Edmunds

act in Utah during the last year. THE President Las accepted the resigna tion of William R. Fleming as Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of New Mexico, to take effect on the appointment and qualification of his successor.

. THE Mormon contingent which went to British India some time ago to promulgate their dec rines have given up the field after an unsuccessful campaign. They were in a state of destitution when they

The great annual pageant of the Veiled Prophets gladdened the tearts and feasted the eyes of a quarter of a million of people on the streets and in the windows of S.

Louis on the night of the 6 h. The illumination was magnific m'. COMMANDER FRED :RICK PEARSON. whose resignation is announced, has been regarded as the wealthiest man in the navy, having merriel a lady of great wealth. He has been on a leave of ab-

sence in Europe for a year and a baif. THE Commissioner of Customs has instructed customs officers to make a return at the close of each quarer of all unclaimed merchandise in the bonded warehouse or Custom-house. No such returns appear in the accounts of collectors as now ren-

The imperial Ottoman legation at Washington attributes the report cabled from Constantinople to the effect that the Sultan was believed to be becoming demented "to the malice of the enemies of Turkey." and emphatically denies that there is any truth in it.

A MEETING of the Cabinet was held on the 6th, at which all the members were present excep! Secretary Whitney. Among the questions considered was the Spanish commercial treaty and several appointments under the Treasury, Interior and Justice departments.

COMMISSIONER ATKINS of the Indian Bureau left Washington on the 5 h on a tour of inspection through the various Indian reservations. As the Holman investigating committee were about to visit some of the Southwestern agencies, the

Commissioner joined the committee. LIEUTENANT GRO. M. STORRY, COMmanding the expedition to Alaska, reports to the Secretary of the Navy, under date of July 17th, his arrival at Hotham Inlet on July 11th. He was to start on the day of writing with the larger part of his stores for the head waters of Putnam

In an informal discussion of the que tion among a group of Life Insurance Company Presidents in New York, it was conceded that the insurance of the lives of Presidents of the United States was "extra hazardons," two out of twenty-two incumbents of the office (about ten per cent) hav-

ing been assassinated. WHEN the Senate meets there will be a list of between five and six hundred posmasters, appointed during recess, submitted for confirmation. In addition, it is estimated that during the session of Congress the terms of at least 600 postmasters will expire, so that the nominations of over 1,000 postmasters will come before the Senale during the next session. There are 2,335 Presidential postmasters in this country, and, at the rate observed during

PERSONAL AND GENERAL

MEMBERS of the Indiana Constitutional onvention of 1850 hell a reunion at In-

lianapolis on the 5th and 6 h. HIGH-TONED burglars at Boston entered an art gallery on the night of the 4th and stole a number of very fine paintings.

There was a mistrial, the jury failing agree, in the case of Chesley Chambers at Bloomington, Ind., charged with shooting an express messenger on the Monor

FREDERICK FISHEL, book-keeper for Bernheim & Bauer, New York, has disappeared, and is charged with defalcation to

MR. A. B. DICKERSON, of New Jersey, has been appointed chief of a division in the office of the Comptroller of the Currency, vice F. A. Miller, resigned. Mr.

Dickerson was recently appointed chief of a division in the Sixth Auditor's office. THE Treasury Department is receiving an increased demand for small currency, which is regarded by the officials of that department as a sign of revival of the

business of the country. THE Texas convicts working on a railroad at O'Brien's camp, near Lubkin, Tex., mad: a break for liberty on the 5th, when twelve were killed an la large

number wounded. Some drunken tramps fired the cattle sheds at the Fort Wayne (Ind.) fair grounds the night of the 4th, and an unknown tramp was burned to death. Another, giving the name of Griffin, was rescued horribly burned. Loss to the Fair As ociation is slight.

Willite Rosz, a five-year-old son of a prominent citizen of Evansville, Ind., whilst playing around a new house in process of construction, on the 5th, fell from the second story to the ground and was

fatally injured. THE schooner Annie Tomine from Muskegon for Chicago, loaded with lumber, became water-logged and capsized the morning of the 5th about five miles west of Grand Haven, Mich. The crew of six nen were saved by the life-saving crew. THE issue of standard silver dollars from the mints during the week ended Oc-tober 31 was \$21,120. The issue during the corresponding period of last year was

It is now state I that the Chinese set fire to their own bouses at Rock Springs to prevent the white miners from getting the noney buried underneath them.

MARY ANDERSON arrived at New York TEN thousand volunteers have been concentrated in Macedonia for service in Bul-

A TRAIN was boarded and robbed by four men near Altoona. Pa., on the 6th. THE London newspapers are greatly exercised over Parnell's Wicklow speech. Mrs. Walkup's case at Emporia, Kas.,

ABOUT seven hundred glass blowers are on a strike at Philadelphia. THE nail mill of Kemberly & Co. at Sharon, Pa., has resumed operations.

KILLI G frost in the Northwest and i

snow-storm in Dakota were reported on MR. THOMAN, of the Civil Fervice Commission, will resign in a few days.

THE steam barge R. G. Ingersoll burned to the water's edge on the 6th at Point au Sable, Lake Michigan. THE Labrador fisheries have proved a

failure, and the people along the coast are in a starving condition. JUDGE SAWNIE ROBERTSON, of Dallas been appointed a member of the Supreme

Court of Texas. FREEMAN BARNUM has been appointed Collector of Internal Revenue for the First

Missouri Datrict. CHAS. DAVIDSON, a painter, was killed at Evaneville, Ind., on the 6th, by falling from a scaffold down an elevator way. THE Bulgarian question and affairs in Ireland were discussed at a meeting of

Ax attempt was made on the 6th to wreck a train on the Air Line Railroad between Huntingburg and Rose Bank, Ind. Owing to the number of French Cabinet ministers defeated at the recent election, will be n.c.ssury to remodel the Cab

the British Cabinet on the 6th,

A LETTER purporting to be from the President, criticising the New York State Democratic ticket, is pronounced a for COMMISSIONER SPARKS of the General

Land Office has discovered extensive frauds on the part of several land-grant railways. Mas. Bauss, who murdered her hus

and and burned his body at Little Falls, N. Y., has been sentenced to be executed November 25th. GEO. W. SARGENT, a carpenter, was found hanging to a tree in Kansas City on

he evening of the 6.h. He left farewell etters saying life was not worth living. DRIVERS and conductors on several of the St. Louis car lines quit work on the 6th, causing some inconvenience to travel. They demand twelve hours as a day's work, fifteen minutes for meals and \$1.75 and \$2.0) day for drivers and conductors remectively.

THE Treasury Department on the 6th purchased 200,000 ounces of silver for delivery at the New Orleans and Phila delphia min's for coinage into silver

contracts for Indian supplies for the Southern Ute Agency in Colorado as fol-lows: N. W. Miles, Schuyler, Neb., 62,00) ceased. lbs. flour at \$3.45 per 100 lbs; J. E. Hughes, Hughes, O., \$45,000 lbs. beef at

C. D. LESTER, a stock dealer, committee suicide on the 6th at Burington Junction Springs, Ia. He was a well known man and an old friend of President Cleveland, having been Deputy Sheriff of Erie County, New York, when Cleveland was Sheriff. No cause is assigned for the

THE Post-office Department has received a number of reports from Postmasters as to the first three days' working of the special delivery service. The reports show that the system is receiving support, and indicate that it will be fairly successful. Ir is said that Mr. Foster's successor as Minister to Spain bas been fully determined upon; that he bails from a Southern

State, and that his name will soon be au-Gov. F. A. TRITLE, of Arizona, has r

SMALL-POX is reported at St. Catherines and Guelph, Ontario. PATRICK KENNEDY was murdered at La the past six months, all the Presidential Parstox Kenneby was murdered at La postmasters will be changed in two years. Crosse. Wis., on the 7th, by James Kelly.

ONLY £1,600 have been ra'sed for the enefit of James Stephens, the ex Fenian. Ray, J. L. M. CURRY, of Virginia, has een appointed Minister to Spain.

A shostag : has been discovered in the accounts of the Union Bank at Halifax, Nova Scotia. A JOINT debate between Governor Hoad-

ly and Judge Foraker took place at Tole do, O., on the evening of the 8th. FERVIA announces that she will fight unless her demands for an extension of

territory are grau'ed. A CATTLE train on the Northern Pacific Railroad caught fire on the 7th and sev

eral cattle were burned. A LAWSUIT at Waterloo, In., in which \$5) was at first involved, bas gone on un til the fees and costs foot up over \$20,000. THE New Z aland Government has renewed the mail service between that country and San Francisco.

CONGRESSMAN COLLINS, of Massachusetts, one of the gentlemen recently s lected to go to Ireland to assist Parnell, refuses to go.

Diamonds valued at \$8,000 were stolen from the residence of Ex-Governor Claffin of Massachusetts, at Newtonville, that State, on the 7th. Two Bulgarian delegates from Prince

Alexander to the Porte were arrested and subjected to an efficial examination. A collision occurred between a coal

near Enston, Pa., on the 7th, and Geo. L. Fransue, a brakeman, was killed. THE Canadian Pacific Railway will in mediately extend its telegraph system

and a freight train on the Lehigh Road,

throughout the Dominion of Canada. Owing to the warlike attitude of Servis the Porte has been compelled to call out more reserves for service on the frontier. CITIZENS of Rock Springs, Wyo., turned out en masse on the 7th, and gave an ovation to the rioters who were not indicted

by the Green River Grand Jury. THE Captain and thirteen of the crew of the Italian bark Talismano arrived at New York on the 7th. Their vessel was so injured by storms that she had to be aban-

A STATEMENT prepared at the Treasury Department shows that the amount of standard dollars put in circulation during the month of September in the regular course of business was \$2,700,000.

THE Postmasters at Pittsburgh and Allegheny, Pa., have had a disagreement, growing out of encroachments by the former on the lat'er's territory in delivering special delivery letters, and both Postmasters have communicated their views on the subject to the department.

THE transfer of the silver cargo of the United States steamers Swatara and Yantie, amoun Ing to 11',400,000 in standard silver dollars, to the United States Treasury was completed on the 7th. It is said at the Treasury Department that, owing to the trouble and delay in transporting by water, railroad transportation only will be employed in the future.

THE Board of Management of the new North, Central and South American Exposition at New Orleans have added to their list of special days an "American Silver Congress," assigning it to December 11th and 12th, the two days follow ing the "American Bankers' Congress." Steps have been taken to secure a grand display of products from the silver re-

gions of the United States. THE Consul of the United States at Guayamas, Mexico, informs the Department of State that the statements made by various newspapers that there are 1,000 Chinamen in his district, and that the same are being surreptitiously introduced in the United States in contravention of the restriction act of Congress are untrue, as the total number of Chinamen in that Consular district does not exceed 125, and these are nearly all employed in shoe and tailoring factories, and have no desire to leave their present profitable positions.

CONDENSED TELEGRAMS.

Hoo cholera is prevalent in some pa of Dakota and also in Canada. THE Caicago, Burlington & Quincy will withdraw from the Transcontinental Associa ion.

The Russian Government has ordered all Russian officers to leave Bulgaria. M s. VEBONICA BULL of Syracuse, Y., who fasted fifty-nine days, died on

the 8 h. A THREE-MILLION pound sterling fire oc curred at Charterhouse Square, London,

CLARENCE BENNETT, of Woonsocket, Dak., was tarrel and feathered and ordered to leave the place for an as ault on

THE French Ministry will resign previous to the meeting of the Chamber Deputing.

JAY GOULD and associates have started We t from New York for a tour of the Southwestern system. THE Roman Catholic Bishops of Ireland

have passed a resolution condemning DANIEL MANNING says he is going home to All any to vote, and thinks the President will go to Buff ilo for the same pur

THE funeral of the Earl of Shaftesbury mains were deposited in Westminster

On the 23d inst, the gauge on the Vicksburg and Meridian Railway will be changed to the standard width. MRS. O'CONNELL, of LIMERICK, has comto an amicable understanding with her tenants and the boycotting of her has

H. S. CROCKER & Co., wholesale sta tionery and printing, San Francisco, Cal., were burned out on the 8 h; loss, \$50,000. As important tax suit has been decided against the St. Paul & Sloux City Railroad by the Supreme Court of Minuesota.

the date for the conference of the Latin Monetary Union. It was set for Octobe A NEW JERS Y court decides that un

FRANCE has asked for the postponemen

der the Civil Rights law hotel-keepers are not obliged to admit negroes to the comnon dining-room. A REWARD of \$250 each has been offered in Arizona for Apuche scalps, and many of the old pioneers are on the trail.

CINCINATI claims, according to the resent registra ion, a population' in-luding the "Over the Rhine" district, of THE case of William Haven, ex-Treasurer of the Ru land (Vt.) Railroad, charged with the fraudulent overissue of stock, was finished on the 8th. The jury re-turned a vardic; of not guilty. The delense claimed that the over issue of 10) shares was not due to criminal intent.

THE ALABAMA CLAIMS.

the Court Sitting Itself For a Grand Rally to Close Out the 1,468 Cases Remaining On Its Docket Within the Prescribed Time - Court Employes Working On

WASHINGTON, D. C., Ostober 6 .-- On the reassembling of the Court of Alabama Claims yesterday, Presiding Judge

Harlan sald: "It is obvious that the 1,465 remaining cases can not be properly adjudicated, the interest computed, and lists of judg-ments compared and certified to the Secretary of State within the seventyfour working days remaining, without extraordinary efforts on the part of the court, its officers and employes, and also on the part of the counsel for claimants. But with such efforts and co operation, the court thinks it will be possible to schieve this result. In view of the great hardship which would accrue by a further postponement to many thousands of legal claimants, who have already waited long for their just dues, the Court feels compelled to adopt and to rigidly enforce the most stringent rules consistent with justice and the usages of courts, to hasten the trial and determination of caus-s; and on its own part to devote all the time within the limits of physical endurance, without reference to the usual hours for office work, in the endeavor to complete this

work prior to the date named." After stating certain requirements which counsel for the claimants would be expected to observe in order to facilitate business. Judge Harlan continued: "In the opinion of the Court, after careful consideration, it will be impossible for it to complete its work within the time limited by law with a smaller force of employes than it now has on i's pay rolls. Nor does it think that their compensation could be justly diminished. The monthly payment of a considerable number of these employes has been unexpectedly suspended on account of a question having been recently taised by the ac-counting officers of the Treasury Department as to the legal authority of he court to authorize their employment, which it is understood is under consideration by the Department of State. The court is not yet advised of the views of at department. In the meantime the imployes whose payment was suspended have continued to discharge the duties of beir respective positions, and have volintarily informed the court of their wilingness to continue to do so with their former fi lelity at their own risk of being pereafter paid by the government." It has also come to the knowledge of the members of the court, that dur-ing the recess counsel for claimants, learning that the major part of the employes depend solely on heir salaries for the support of themselves and families, and knowing that their services could not be dispensed with without serious embarrassment to the court, have made arrangements to relieve the immediate pecuniary necessities of said employes during such time under the urgent circumstances of the

case, meets the approval of the court " The court heard and took under advisement during the day 'wenty-nine cases, and forty-one other cases were dismissed by consent. About thirty cases a day will be set for trial until the docket is cleared, and all cases in which claimants are not ready when called will

or dismissed. LITERALLY STARVING.

The Terrible Condition of the Fishermer and Their Families On the Labrador Ceast-The Catch a Fallure and Starva tion Invid ne Their Homes.

OTTAWA, UNT., October 6 .- It has been officially announced here that the Labrador fisheries have proved a failure and that the inhabitants along that inhosnitable shore are starving. The news cam : by way of St. Johns, N. F., a dshing schooner laving put in there Thursday, bearing for the Government a pelition from the inhabitants of Sandwich Bay stating that they were starving and imploring assistance before the winter sets in. The captain states that already snow failen on several occasions. Cod and mackerel seem to have vanished from the waters. The porgies fish have been so scarce that the oil factories have not been able to obtain sufficient to keep them running, and have consequently closed up for the sesson, throwing out o employment a large number of per-sons. These have been living on what could beg. Articles of food have long since reached such fabu-lous prices as to be entirely out of the reach of the poor. The supply of flour is entirely exhausted. Scurvy has made its appearance, and many have died from The suffering of the women and children beggars all description, the little ones dying in the arms of mothers who have no food to give them, and cold and exp. sure complete the list of woes. The news creates great excitement. The Government acted with promptness and burried fuel and provisions on board a steamer which sailed yesterday. Several ships will be necessary to meet the demand, as the famine extends along the entire coast.

NEW EVIDENCE Causes the Re-Arrest of a Omaha Man for a Murder Committed Two Years Ago OMARI, NEB., October 5 -Two years ago, at Glenwood, la, C. W. Wallace killed John Kilngersmith, to whom he was related by marriage. Wallace claimed that he shot in self-defense. Mrs. Watlace was the only witness to the affair, Wallace was examined and discharged Saturday he was arrested for murder, the Grand Jury having returned an indictment against him, new evidence having recently been discovered. When the shooting occured but one bullet hole was discovered, but the body was taken up not long ago and a careful examination revealed the fact that there were two bullets in his head. This, in connection with other facts will, it is said, make it difficult for Wallace to show self-de fense.

WASHINGTON, D. C., October 5 .-Strangers have flocked to the White House by the hundreds during the past week, and, although presse I with work, the President received them in the East oom Moaday, Wednesday and Friday. received a large number of calls during the past week. While Mrs. Hoyt expecis to remain as a guest at the Ex ecutive Mansion for several weeks longer, she will not undertake any of the social duties. Miss Rose Cleveland is expected to return November 1st.

A NEW MACHINE,

That May lin Time Create a Revolution by Its Success is Still Prospective and, Te Some Extent, Problematical.

WASHINGTON, D. C., October 6 .-There was a meeting of prominent newspaper men in this city last week. The purpose of this meeting was not generally known. These gentlemen have invested large sums in a type-setting machine. This machine was made in Baltimore, and has been upon the eve of socalled completion for a number of years. It was originally backed by John Cla-phane, one of the leading stenographers here. He organized a company, which here. He organized a company, which was made up of nearly all of the official stenographers of Washington. Their capital being limited, and the experiments of the invention not reaching success within a fixed period covered by their means, other investors have been taken in from time to time. Mr. Hutchins, the editor of the Washington Post, appeared to think well of the invention, and bought its stock during the second period of the increase of the company, It is understood that through his repre-sentations Whitelaw Ried, of the New York Tribune; Richard Smith, of the Cincinnati Gazette; Mr. Haldeman, of the Louisville Courier-Journal; William Henry Smith, of the New York Assoclated Press, and Mr. Stone, of the News of Chicago, have become investors. It is said that these last named gentlemen have invested in all \$250,000 in the stock, which two years ago was at fif-teen. It is now sait to be at sixty, but it is a question whether any block of the stock could be sold at that figure It has been claimed for this machine that it would do away with the composition entirely. With the keyboard of a type writer any one capable of writing this last named machine would be able to set the matter up and stereotype at the same time the type required for the printing of a newspaper. The machine has been inspected by a number of ex-perts. It is very ingeneous and will un-doubtedly be used in printing book work, circulars or in copying legal documents, But is a very serious question among the stockholders whether this machine will ever be sufficient to meet all the requirements of the modern newspaper publication office The meeting of the news-paper prople held here last week was for the purpose of considering the question of whether the headquarters of the company should not be transferred to New York, and to further consider ways and means of raising money for further experimenting with this machine, There are a number of conflicting stories about the condition reached in the con struction of this new invention. It is claimed by some of the gentlemen interested in it that it is now perfect and ready to be used. If this is true, this-fact will be early disclosed, because the majority of the gentlemen interested in it have control of publication offices where the use of this machine would certainly make a great sensation. It has been claimed for several years that this invenoff's resulting from it, and the news papers not in the company controlling it would be driven to severe loss from their inability to compete with claimed that this machine would the price of composition twothirds. This invention has now been under way four years. Two years ago Abram S. Hewitt came very near investing in it, so as to secure the control, but his judgment, after investigating its merits, led him to withhold the investment. This invention has been the subect of a great deal of talk at Washing-The principal inevstors in it seen to be perfectly confident that it is one of the greatest inventions of modern times, and that it will return a royal income to its stockholders, while there are cold-blooded, cynical minded people who

signs that it is the Keely motor over again, and that, while the machine is very ingenious, it never can be made

practical for the use of newspapers.

RANK SWINDLERS. The Way Outside Barbarians Come In and

Appropriate the Public Domain-One of Them Convicted of Fraud. WASHINGTON, D. C., October 6.-The General Land Office is informed of the trial and conviction of R. C. Bloomfield in Denver, Col., on the 21st ult. for conspiring to defraud the United States in procuring fraudulent preemption entries under fictitious names. Mr. Bloomfield is an Englishman, very wealthy, and was manager of the Arkansas Val ley Land and Cattle Company, composed almost entirely of Englishmen. company, it is represented, owns over 300,000 acres of land, controlling the water of vast areas of country through illegal means. The conviction of Bloom-field is regarded at the Interior Department as highly important, in that it will be likely to deter others from continung in the same illegal business. When the jury returned its verdict Bloomfield fainted in open court.

H. K. Pinckney, who was indicted with Bloomfield, escaped before his trial came off. He is represented as having fur nished the men to personate actual set-tlers. He employed cowboys until the supply was exhausted, when he put up paper men. Pinckney was a clerk in the local land office, and was of great assistance in so successfully executing the fraudulent entries.

Special agents of the Department of the Interior report the cutting of large amounts of timber on public lands adjacent to the line of Northern Pacific Railroad large forces of men who claim to be en ployed by the Montana Improvement Company, which, it is alleged, is but a branch of the Northern Pacific Railroad Company. Saw-mills are said to be running in full blast along a vast area of country. It is understood that suits will be immediately instituted against the

guilty parties.

Reports are said to have been received at the Department to the effect that the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railroad Company, by making fraudulent loca-tions, have secured large areas of land to which they are not entitled.

The French Elections. Pagis, October 6 .- The result of the elections for members of the Chamber of Deputies, held in this city Sunday, is as follows: M. Brissen, the Premier, and Allain-Targe, Minister of the Interior, each received 100,000 votes. From 7,000 to 2,000 votes each were cast for Messieurs Floquet, Lockroy, Paul, Bert, Clemenceau, Barodet and De la Fosse; and M. Herne, editor of the Soliel, and Paul Cassaguae received 6,000 each. The Conservatives gained thirty six seats and lost four in the forty-nine departments

DAVIS ISLAND DAM.

The Opening to Commerce of the Davis Is land Dam Celebrated as an Important Event in the History of Pittsburgh, Pa-

PITTSBURGH, PA., October 8 .- The celebration of the opening to commerce of the Davis Island Dam yesterday marked one of the greatest events in the history of Plitsburgh. The work is known as the French movable dam, and is similar to that at Port L'Anglais in the Seine at Paris. The dam when full creates a harbor six miles in length with at least six feet of water throughout the year. Elaborate preparations had been made for a sultable celebration of the event, and at half past ten o'clock the gally bedecked steamers in the harbor to the number of thirty started for the dam. The boats were thronged and thousands of people were turned away unable to find accommodations on board. Many took passage on excursion trains, which follow the banks of the river for miles. All was in readiness, and at the firing of the signal gun at eleven o'clock the fleet started on their trip. Whistles were blown, bands played, minute guns were fired, and for a time pandemonium reigned.

On arrival at the dam the ceremonies were proceeded with. The boats filed through the lock, turned about and returned to the city in the orde, of their departure. The joilification wound up with a brilliant display of fireworks. About 11 o'clock a. m., by the premature discharge of a cannon John Ryal, rammer for Battery B, had both arms torn from his shoulders and is fatally injured.

Miss Mary Monahan standing near by, had her hip broken by the flying ramrod.

fact to the excessive number of iron girders and posts used in the chief buildings. This iron work expanded and

NOT A MUGWUMP.

A Crank With Aspirations to Command the United States Navy, Falling to Secure an Interview with the President, Pro-

poses to Call Out Companies B and J. WASHINGTON, D. C., October 7 .- A short, slight, swarthy complexioned man, dressed in the plain rough clothes of a workman rang the door bell of the front door of the White House yesterday afternoon. His rusty dress was made to look still dingler by the clear, clean color of a light-blue brocaded silk scarf which was tied in a sailor's knot around his seamed and wrinkled neck. When the door of the White House was opened, the caller demanded to see the President. He said coolly and quietly in the expressive vocabulary of the most fluent of talkers, that he desired to take command of the Navy of the United States; that he had worked his brain in some mysterious way so as to affect the result at Chicago last year. If it had not been for him Mr. Cleveland could not have been nominated, and if it from a trip to Boston and had her trunk had not been for his system of mathematical combination further carried out be would not have been elected. He said

with firmness: "I want it distinctly understood that I am not a mugwump, I am a Democrat. If I am placed in command of the navy of the United States this afternoon by to-morrow afternoon at this time there will not be a single Republican left fa

the service." Sergeant Dinsmore shut the door in the midst of this taik. He told the callet to write the President upon the subject. The man walked away very indignant. He said at the outer gate:

"I have ordered out Companies B and J to bring the President out of the White House, where I can get at him, and tell him what I want. I can soon show him what to do. Besides having secured his election and being entitled to the position on that ground, I should have full control of this Administration on account of my scholastic ability. I am the greatest ability. 1 am the greatest scholar in the world, and the only poet left. I can put all the knowledge there is upon this globe into forms of poetry which will dazzle, in-struct and enchant everyone.

As companies B and J had not made their app arance late in the afternoon it is probable that the future Commander of the Navy will next bombard the Presi-

dent through the mails. A FOOL AND HIS MONEY.

The Cupidity of a Wealthy Nazarens Results In His Being Fleeced \$5,000 Worth by Monte Sharpers.

Easton, Pa., October 8. - John Fulmer, a rich resident of Nazareth, was visited by a three-card monte man yesterday, who claimed to be the son of Cashier Hackett of the Easton National Bank, and in search of a pasture for a thousand sheep. Fulmer's barn was visited, and soon another chap came in search of bulls. The cards were produced, Hackett won, and Fulmer was induced to take a hand in picking out the lucky card. He did not have the money, but he agreed to accompany the men to Easton and draw \$5,000 from the Easton Bank. After getting the money he was driven two miles from town, tried the game and lost all. Hackett and his confederate drove away and left Fulmer to walk the rest of the distance, four miles, to his home. He has employed two detectives to find the swindlers, and offers \$1,000 for their

arrest. Bethune Beaten. RICHMOND, Va., October 8 .- A decision was rendered yesterday in the United States Court in the case of Blind Tom against Jas. N. Bethune, in which the court holds it has jurisdiction to grant the relief prayed for, but does not see any pressing or immediate necessity for taking complainant out of defendant's custody; but will continue the injunc-tion forbidding the defendant Bethune from taking the complainant on of the State of Virginia without first obtaining permission so to do by petition to one of the judges of the court.

WASH' ton, D. C., October 8 .- The nagement of the North, Cenath American Exposition have add their list of special days an "American Silver Congress Day," astwo days following the "American Bankers' Congress." This was in response to request from the silver interest. Steps have already been taken to insure a grand display of products, not only from the silver regions of the United States, but from Mexico and other parts of

LONDON'S LOSS.

The Greatest Fire the Present Generation of Londoners Have Seen-Fifteen Million Dollar's Worth of Property Gone Up in Smoke - The Disadvantages of Iron in

Large Buildings. LONDON, October 8 .- One of the most disastrous conflagrations that has occurred in this city in a number of years broke out at five o'clock this morning in the Charter House buildings, Aldersgate Street, and is still burning though partially under control. Fire spread with marvelous rapidity, and in less than four hours after it had broken out thirteen of eight-story houses comprising the property were destroyed.
The buildings were occupied by stores, mostly of fancy goods and toy emporiums. In one of the buildings destroyed was located a lage print-ing establishment. Another of the buildings was occupied as a bank, but through the strenuous efforts of the firemen, the structure was saved from total destruc-The firemen experienced great difficulty in throwing streams on the upper stories because of a lack of the water pressure. Many of them had narrow escapes from death from falling walls, etc. It is estimated that the loss will reach £3,000,000.

LONDON, October 9 -The fire in Aldersgate street yesterday morning, which destroyed the Charter House buildings, was the biggest configration which has occurred in London within the memory of the present generation. The flames spread with phenomenal rapidity, and the firemen attributed this twisted into all manner of shapes, opening great cracks in the floors and walls, through which the flames rushed furiously. Captain Shaw, the chief officer of the fire brigade, is strongly opposed to the use of iron for archi-tectural purposes, and is making a special report on yesterday's disaster, with the view of urging builders to be more sparing in the use of iron. The origin of the fire is unknown. The row was mostly occupied by fancy goods dealers, furriers, toysters and printing offices. One bank was in the building. This institution was the only one that escaped being burned completely out. It was bully damaged, but not destroyed. The firemen had great trouble ingetting the streams from the engines to play on the upper stories of the buildings.

ON HIS BAGGAGE. A Slick Scheme Worked By a Moneyless

Beat to Secure a Season at Saratoga— The Tale of a Missing Trunk. HONESDALE, Pa., October 9 .- Early last summer Mrs. A. M. Lancaster, of Starrucca, this county, returned home When she arrived at her station presented the check for her trunk it could not be found. The trunk was large and contained a valuable wardrobe important papers and articles of great value. The railroad authorities sent tracers after the trunk. They followed it as far as Albany, and there all trace of it was lost. All hope of fluding the property was finally abandoned. About the time that Mrs. Lancaster's trunk was lost a young man, dressed in the height of fashlon and giving the name of Clarence De Puyster, of New York, became a guest of a Saratoga hotel. His baggage consisted of one very large trunk and a fine alligator-skin bag. As the guest was evidently one of the best, he was not troubled with any reference to his bill until near the close of the season. His bill was presented. He took it to his room to look it over, and that was the last that any one in the saw of him. His trunk and bag were found in his room. The trunk, on being opened, was found to be filled with fine female wearing apparel, evidently just as it had been put in the trunk. Papers found showed plainly that the trunk was not the property of DePuyster, but that it belonged to Mrs. A. M. Lancaster, of Starrucca. She was communicated with and the story of the lost trunk came out. It was forwarded to her by express. Everything was in it that she had put in it four months before in Bos on, and had not been dis-turbed. The alligator has was found to belong to another person, and it was returned to him. It is supposed that De Puyster, or whoever it was, had man-

give him standing at the hotel, and secure for him a season of recreation at the hotel's expense. A DOUBLE LIFE.

aged to remove the check from the

trunk while it was being transferred

from one train to another at Albany, and

hel it checked to Saratoga in order to

Jonathan Hughes, the Camp-Meeting Exhorter and Counterfeiter, Convicted for

H s Doings in the Latter Role. TRENTON, N. J., October 8 .- Jonathan Hughes was tried in the Federal Court to-lay on an indictment charging him with manufacturing and passing counterfeit sliver money in Elmer, Cumberland County. Secret Service Officer Bell arrested him at the camp-meeting at Pittman Grove last August. The prisoner led a double life, that of a Christian, as well as a coun erfeiter. On the night of the arrest, he offered to show the detective where his tools were secreted. He supposed the officer knew, and that it would be a good thing for him when brought into court to have it shown that he surrendered his implements. The officer, carrying a lantern, went into the woods skirting with him, and in the shade of a tree beneath a plie of leaves, discovered the tools. The prisoner was convicted and when arraigned for sentence fell in a fit at the Judge's feet. Two physicians worked with him several hours before he

could be removed. Sentence will be imposed next Tuesday.

WASHINGTON, D. C., October 9 .- The case of Butler Mahone, son of Senator Mahone of Virginia, Indicted for assault with intent to kill John Willis, a waiter at Welcker's Hotel, last February, came up in the Criminal Court here yesterday. The Prosecuting Attorney said that he understood that Willia had received money not to prosecute the suit. A let-ter was read from Wills asking that the case be nolle prosequied. The case was postponed until December 14th, owing to the absence of Willis, prosecuting wit-